[OMB Control No. 2900-0609]

Agency Information Collection Activity under OMB Review: Survey of Veteran

Enrollees' Health and Use of Health Care

AGENCY: Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, this notice announces that the Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden and it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function. Refer to "OMB Control No. 2900–0609.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501-3521.

Title: Survey of Veteran Enrollees' Health and Use of Health Care.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0609.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The VA Survey of Veteran Enrollees' Health and Use of Health Care gathers information from Veterans enrolled in the VA Health Care System about factors that influence their health care utilization choices. Data collected are used to gain insights into Veteran preferences and to provide VA and Veterans Health Administration (VHA) management guidance in preparing for future Veteran needs. In addition to factors influencing health care choices, the data collected include enrollees' perceived health status and need for assistance, available insurances, self-reported utilization of VA services versus other health care services, reasons for using VA, barriers to seeking care, ability and comfort level with accessing virtual care, as well as general demographics and family characteristics that may influence utilization but cannot be accessed elsewhere. Information provided through the survey supports critical VA policy decisions.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The *Federal Register* Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published at: 86 FR 182 on September 23, 2021, pages 52948 and 52949.

Affected Public: Individuals and households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 14,000 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 20 minutes.

<u>Frequency of Response</u>: Once annually.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 42,000.

By direction of the Secretary:

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